ATTO (1390 REV. 5-93) US DEPT. OF COMMERC TENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE 10966 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, sec 37 C.F.R.1.5) **UNITED STATES** 09/937,623 DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING **UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/JP01/00571 January 26, 2001 January 28, 2000 TITLE OF INVENTION FINGERPRINT IMAGE EVALUATION METHOD AND FINGERPRINT VERIFICATION DEVICE APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Noriyuki MATSUMOTO, Hideyo TAKEUCHI Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 1. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than 3. delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest 4. claimed priority date. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) 5. a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. I is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) ۱<mark>6</mark>. A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. . A have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. have not been made and will not be made. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 8. 9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. \boxtimes 13. A FIRST preliminary amendment. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 14. A substitute specification.

Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.

Other items or information:

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Attn: PCT Branch

Application No.:

09/937,623

Filed: December 28, 2001

Docket No.:

109667

For:

FINGERPRINT IMAGE EVALUATION METHOD AND FINGERPRINT

VERIFICATION DEVICE

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) WITH DECLARATION AND TRANSLATION OF THE APPLICATION

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) (copy attached) mailed on November 1, 2001, submitted herewith is the executed Declaration of the inventors and an accurate translation of the application. Any specification attached to and referenced in the Declaration is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the Office in order to obtain a filing date for the application.

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Attached is our Check No. <u>126433</u> in the amount of \$512.00 for the ∑\$260.00 □\$195.00 (entitlement to small entity status is asserted) fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.492(e) and (f) and any excess claim fees noted above.

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notification of Missing Requirements. Accordingly, prompt issuance of a Notification of Acceptance and Official Filing Receipt, and prompt examination and allowance of this application are respectfully solicited.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this paper are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

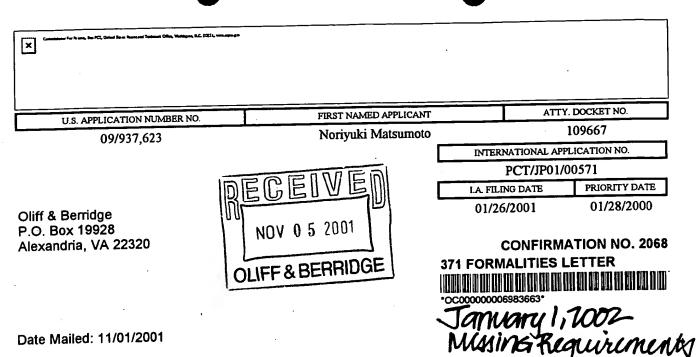
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Request for Immediate Examination

By MD on 116 2001

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English.
- Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than the appropriate 20 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the
 application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 months months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL



RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$260 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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0-1	International Application No.	
0-2	International Filing Date	
0-3	Name of receiving Office and "PCT International Application"	
0-4	Form - PCT/RO/101 PCT Request	
0-4-1	Prepared using	PCT-EASY Version 2.91 (updated 01.01.2001)
0-5	Petition	
	The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty	
0-6	Receiving Office (specified by the applicant)	Japanese Patent Office (RO/JP)
0-7	Applicant's or agent's file reference	K00-359
ı	Title of invention	FINGERPRINT IMAGE EVALUATION METHOD AND FINGERPRINT VERIFICATION DEVICE
11	Applicant	
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III-2 -6	State of nationality	JP		
III-2-7	State of residence	JP		
IV-1	Agent or common representative; or address for correspondence The person identified below is hereby/has been appointed to act on behalf of the applicant(s) before the competent International Authorities as:	agent		
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		first named agent		
IV-2-1	Name(s)	MURASE, Hiroaki; ABE, Makoto; SUZUKI,		
		Tomoya		
V	Designation of States			
V-1	Regional Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)			
V-2	National Patent	JP US		
	(other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)			
V-5	Precautionary Designation Statement			
	In addition to the designations made under items V-1, V-2 and V-3, the applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b) all designations which would be permitted under the PCT except any designation(s) of the State(s) indicated under item V-6 below. The applicant declares that those additional designations are subject to confirmation and that any designation which is not confirmed before the expiration of 15 months from the priority date is to be	·		
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V-6	Exclusion(s) from precautionary designations	NONE	
VI-1	Priority claim of earlier national application		
VI-1-1	Filing date	28 January 2000 (28.	01.2000)
VI-1-2	Number	2000-20019	
VI-1-3	Country	JP	
VI-2	Priority document request		
	The receiving Office is requested to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau a certified copy of the earlier application(s) identified above as item(s):	VI-1	
VII-1	International Searching Authority Chosen	Japanese Patent Offi	ce (JPO) (ISA/JP)
VIII	Check list	number of sheets	electronic file(s) attached
VIII-1	Request	4	-
VIII-2	Description	37	-
VIII-3	Claims	4	-
VIII-4	Abstract	1	-
VIII-5	Drawings	25	-
VIII-7	TOTAL	71	*
	Accompanying items	paper document(s) attached	electronic file(s) attached
VIII-8	Fee calculation sheet	✓	-
VIII-16	PCT-EASY diskette	_	diskette
VIII-18	Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract	10	
VIII-19	Language of filing of the international application	Japanese	
IX	Signature of applicant or agent		
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IX-1	Name (LAST, First)		

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10-1	Date of actual receipt of the purported international application	
10-2	Drawings:	
10-2-1	Received	
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10-3	Corrected date of actual receipt due to later but timely received papers or drawings completing the purported international application	
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10-5	International Searching Authority	ISA/JP
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